

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1137

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A RESOLUTION to recognize National Nurses Week from May 6-12, 2004.

WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession meets varied and emerging health care needs of Tennessee's population in a wide range of settings; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's nurses make invaluable contributions to the quality of our lives and provide us with the finest of medical care, bringing to bear in each instance their knowledge, skill, training, and compassion, and offering healing and hope to those under their expert care; and

WHEREAS, deeply concerned about deteriorating working conditions for nurses, which could lead to the decline of nursing care, the American Nurses Association is charting a course, as a part of National Nurses Week, for a healthy nation that relies on increasing the delivery of primary and preventative health care; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the quality of care of hospitalized patients; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that Tennessee's nurses should be recognized for their accomplishments, the sacrifices they have made to accomplish their worthy goals, and their ability to adapt to current health care needs, as we join them in celebrating their honored profession, praise these exemplary health care professionals, and extend to them our appreciation for their commitment to the true spirit of nursing; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize May 6-12, 2004, as National Nurses Week and urge all Tennesseans to reflect upon the many invaluable contributions made to our society by the dedicated members of the nursing profession.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.